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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 3-8, 12-15, 17 and 19 as indicated in the listing of claims below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A defibrillator having multiple modes, comprising:

a mode changing switch; and

a door that includes an actuator assembly, wherein the actuator assembly contacts the switch that activates the switch to change the defibrillator from a first mode to a second mode, when the actuator assembly is actuated to open the door.

Claim 2 (Original): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein the first mode is an automatic external defibrillator (AED) mode and the second mode is manual mode.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein the door conceals input media for activating second mode user commands.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 3, wherein the input media for activating second mode user commands are push buttons.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein the door has a first side, a second side, first input media for activating first mode user commands located on the first side of the door, and second input media for activating second mode user commands located on the second side of the door.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein the door has a plurality of apertures that allow a user to access input media for activating first mode user commands.

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Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein the actuator assembly comprises a latch that holds the door in a closed position until the actuator assembly is actuated to open the door and a bump that contacts the switch when the actuator assembly is actuated to open the door.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein the actuator assembly activates contacts the switch while the door is in a closed position.

Claim 9 (Original): The defibrillator of claim 1, wherein powering down then powering up the defibrillator returns the defibrillator to the first mode.

Claim 10 (Original): A defibrillator having a first mode and a second mode, comprising:
a mode changing switch; and
a door that is operably coupled to the switch,
wherein the switch sends the defibrillator from the first mode to the second mode when the door is opened, the defibrillator remains in the second mode when the door is subsequently closed, and the defibrillator returns to the first mode when the defibrillator is powered down and then powered up.

Claim 11 (Original): The defibrillator of claim 10, wherein the defibrillator returns to the first mode when the defibrillator is powered down and then powered up with the door in an open position.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 10, wherein the door conceals input media for activating second mode user commands.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 12, wherein the input media for activating second mode user commands are push buttons.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 10, wherein the door has a first side, a second side, first input media for activating first mode user commands located on the first side of the door, and second input media for activating second mode user commands located on the second side of the door.

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Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 10, wherein the door has a plurality of apertures that allow a user to access input media for activating first mode user commands.

Claim 16 (Original): The defibrillator of claim 10, wherein the first mode is an automatic external defibrillator (AED) mode and second mode is a manual mode.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): An external defibrillator comprising:

~~manual command buttons~~ first input media for operating the defibrillator in a manual mode;

~~automatic external defibrillator (AED) command buttons~~ second input media for operating the defibrillator in an automatic external defibrillator (AED) mode; and

a door coupled to the defibrillator that conceals said ~~manual command buttons~~ first input media and allows a user to access said ~~AED command buttons~~ second input media located ~~behind~~ beneath the door when the door is in a closed position.

Claim 18 (Original): The defibrillator of claim 17, further comprising a mode changing switch covered by the door when the door is in the closed position.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The defibrillator of claim 18, wherein the door further comprises an actuator assembly for giving access to the switch when the door is in the closed position.

Claim 20 (Original): The defibrillator of claim 18, wherein the switch is activated when the door is opened.

Claim 21 (Original): A method of using a defibrillator having a mode changing door, the method comprising:

placing the defibrillator in a first mode based on power up of the defibrillator;

placing the defibrillator in a second mode based on opening of the mode changing door;

keeping the defibrillator in the second mode when the mode changing door is closed

while the defibrillator is in the second mode; and

returning the defibrillator to the first mode based on powering down and then powering up of the defibrillator.

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Claim 22 (Original): The method of claim 21, wherein returning the defibrillator to the first mode based on powering down and then powering up the defibrillator comprises returning the defibrillator to the first mode based on powering down and then powering up with the mode changing door in an open position.

Claim 23 (Original): The method of claim 21, wherein the first mode is an AED mode and the second mode is a manual mode.